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HIGHLIGHTS

THE MARCH 1987 SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE in North Carolina dropped to 4.8 percent from 5.1 percent in February. The March rate was 1.8 percent lower than the national rate (6.6) during the same period. Since March 1986, the state's unemployment rate has dropped 0.7 percent.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT DECLINED OVER THE MONTH, 15,000 and 11,000, respectively. Employment over the year increased by 117,000 workers from 2,990,000 to 3,107,000. As more people were placed in jobs, unemployment experienced a substantial decrease of nearly 10 percent (17,000).

THERE WERE 26,000 FEWER PERSONS IN THE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE in March than a month ago as the labor force dropped from 3,290,000 to 3,264,000. From March a year ago the civilian labor force grew by 100,000 or slightly over three percent.

NET CHANGES IN EMPLOYMENT IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES WERE SMALL from February to March. The apparel industry showed a net gain of 600 workers, the largest among the manufacturing industries. The textile industry led the way in net employment growth over the year. The net growth of 10,400 in textiles accounted for more than three quarters of the net increase in manufacturing and over ten percent in total nonagricultural employment. From March 1986 the electrical machinery industry suffered a loss of 6,500 workers.

MOST OF THE MONTHLY GAIN (1,800) IN NONMANUFACTURING WAS NOTED IN RETAIL TRADE with a growth of 1,600 workers. A yearly increase of 78,600 was posted in nonmanufacturing with substantial employment additions in trade, 29,300; service and miscellaneous, 23,600; and in finance, insurance, and real estate, 10,800.

THE NUMBER OF WEEKS CLAIMED FOR UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS was 3,659 less than those in February. Weeks claimed were down in most industries with construction showing the greatest decrease of 2,496.

THERE WERE 11,244 INDIVIDUALS PLACED IN JOBS THROUGH THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION IN MARCH. The largest number (5,540) was placed in manufacturing industries followed by placements of 2,303 in services and 2,124 in trade. Over 2,000 individuals were placed in benchwork occupations (2,219), service occupations, except domestics (2,068), and in packaging and material handling occupations (2,013).

ALL OF THE PUBLISHED INDUSTRY GROUPS POSTED AN INCREASE OR NO CHANGE IN PRODUCTION WORKERS OVER THE MONTH except tobacco and rubber and miscellaneous plastics products. Employment gains were not as prominent over the year as fewer manufacturing industries increased the number of production workers.

IN MANUFACTURING, WORKERS IN THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY RECEIVED THE HIGHEST AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS AT $562.46. The same workers were paid the highest hourly rate, $14.88, and they also worked the shortest workweek with an average of 37.8 hours a week. All manufacturing workers earned an average of $320.85 a week; $7.75 per hour; and worked an average of 41.4 hours a week. The highest earnings in nonmanufacturing were paid to workers in communication and electric, gas, and sanitary services. Weekly earnings paid to these workers averaged $517.47, while hourly earnings averaged $12.35.

Employment Status of the North Carolina Civilian Population

March 1987

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: One Year Prior	Time Series Data: October 1986 to March 1987					
	Mar. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,733	4,780	4,785	4,792	4,802	4,809	4,816
Civilian Labor Force	3,164	3,206	3,201	3,221	3,271	3,290	3,264
Participation Rate 1/	66.8	67.1	66.9	67.2	68.1	68.4	67.8
Employed	2,990	3,041	3,029	3,048	3,115	3,122	3,107
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	63.2	63.6	63.3	63.6	64.9	64.9	64.5
Unemployed	174	165	172	173	156	168	157
Unemployment Rate	5.5	5.1	5.4	5.4	4.8	5.1	4.8
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: One Year Prior	Time Series Data: January 1987 to March 1987		
	Mar. 1986	Jan. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	4,733	4,802	4,809	4,816
Civilian Labor Force	3,142	3,227	3,259	3,239
Participation Rate 1/	66.4	67.2	67.8	67.3
Employed	2,964	3,058	3,078	3,079
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	62.6	63.7	64.0	63.9
Unemployed	178	169	181	160
Unemployment Rate	5.7	5.2	5.6	4.9
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	2.3	2.8	2.5	INA*

* Information not available.

1/ The participation rate represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population that are in the labor force.

2/ The employment-population ratio represents the percentage of individuals in the civilian population who are employed.

3/ The insured unemployment rate represents a weekly average of weeks claimed for unemployment insurance benefits in a given month as a percentage of employment covered under the Employment Security Law for the most recent 12-month period for which data are available.

Employment Status of the United States Civilian Population

March 1987

(Numbers in Thousands)

Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: One Year Prior	Time Series Data: October 1986 to March 1987					
	Mar. 1986	Oct. 1986	Nov. 1986	Dec. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	179,985	181,186	181,363	181,547	181,827	181,998	182,179
Civilian Labor Force	117,187	118,414	118,675	118,586	119,034	119,349	119,222
Participation Rate 1/	65.1	65.4	65.4	65.3	65.5	65.6	65.4
Employed	108,807	110,192	110,432	110,637	111,011	111,382	111,368
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	60.5	60.8	60.9	60.9	61.1	61.2	61.1
Unemployed	8,380	8,222	8,243	7,949	8,023	7,967	7,854
Unemployment Rate	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.6
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.6	INA*

Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reference Month: One Year Prior	Time Series Data: January 1987 to March 1987		
	Mar. 1986	Jan. 1987	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1987
Civilian Noninstitutional Population	179,985	181,827	181,998	182,179
Civilian Labor Force	116,309	117,703	117,967	118,353
Participation Rate 1/	64.6	64.7	64.8	65.0
Employed	107,643	109,084	109,464	110,229
Employment-Population Ratio 2/	59.8	60.0	60.1	60.5
Unemployed	8,667	8,620	8,503	8,124
Unemployment Rate	7.5	7.3	7.2	6.9
Insured Unemployment Rate 3/	3.3	3.3	3.2	INA*

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A COMPARISON: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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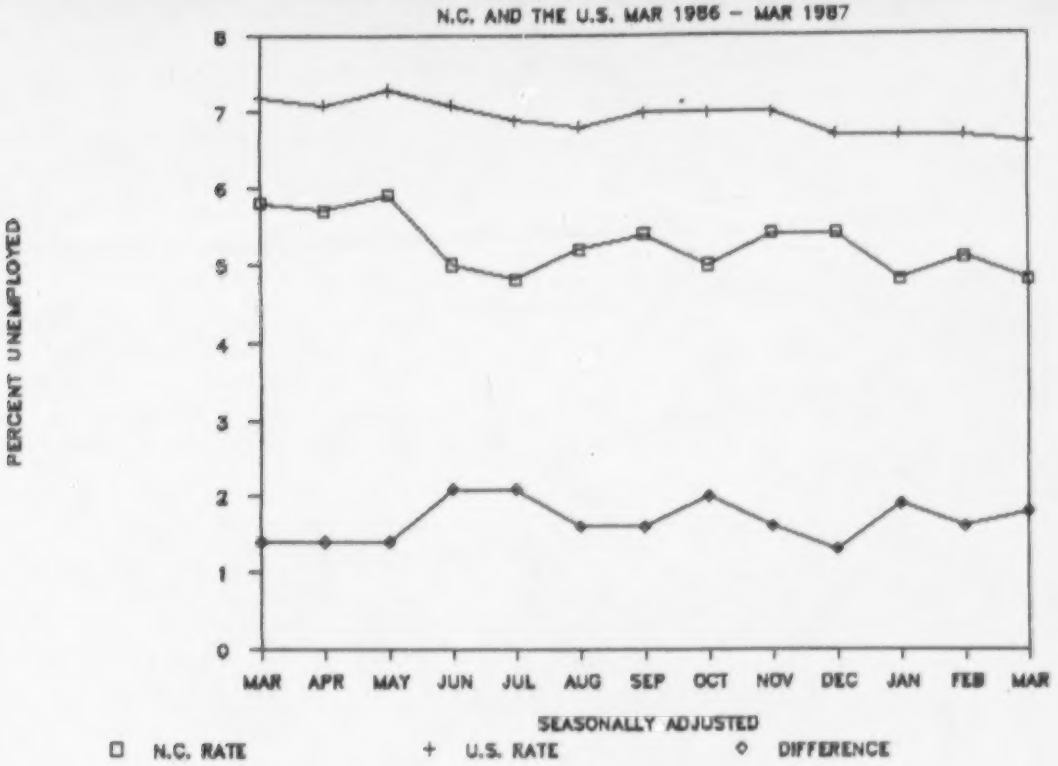

NORTH CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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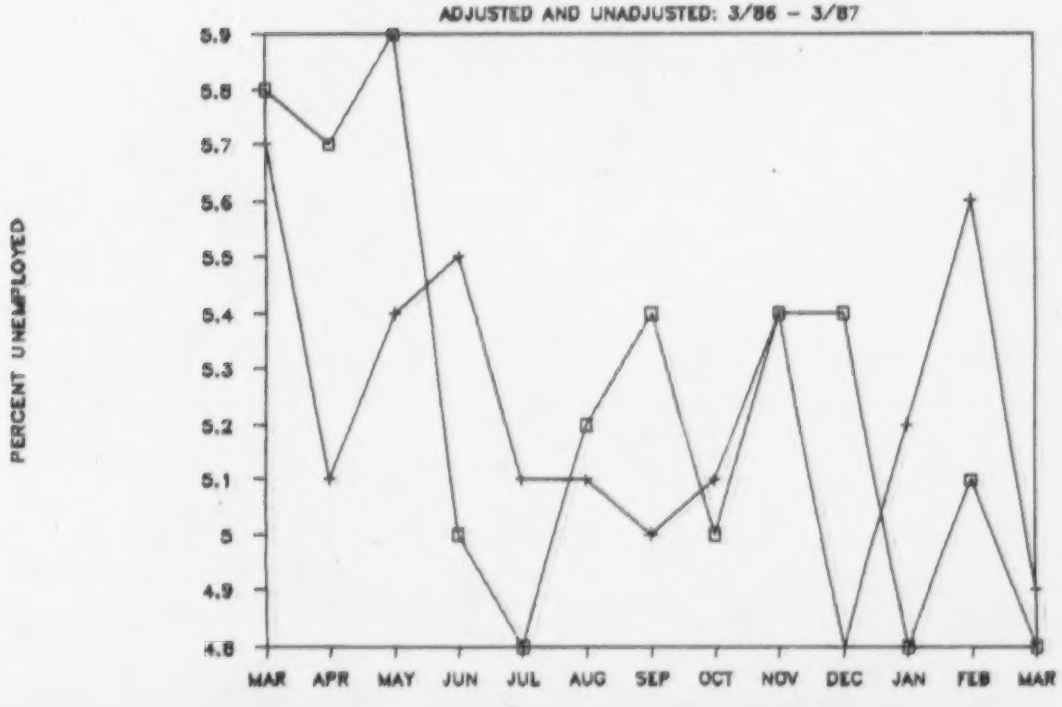

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA
(SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

MARCH 1987 1/
(Numbers In Thousands)

Classification	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar.* 1986	CHANGE FROM: February 1987 Net	February 1987 Percent	March 1986 Net	March 1986 Percent
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force 2/	3,238.9	3,259.5	3,142.4	- 20.6	- 0.6	+ 96.5	+ 3.1
Unemployment, Total	159.8	181.4	178.4	- 21.6	- 11.9	- 18.6	- 10.4
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	4.9	5.6	5.7	- 0.7	xxx	- 0.8	xxx
Employment, Total	3,079.1	3,078.1	2,964.0	+ 1.0	**	+ 115.1	+ 3.9
(Seasonally Adjusted)							
Civilian Labor Force 2/	3,264.0	3,290.0	3,164.0	- 26.0	- 0.8	+ 100.0	+ 3.2
Unemployment, Total	157.0	168.0	174.0	- 11.0	- 6.5	- 17.0	- 9.8
Percent of Civilian Labor Force	4.8	5.1	5.5	- 0.3	xxx	- 0.7	xxx
Employment, Total	3,107.0	3,122.0	2,990.0	- 15.0	- 0.5	+ 117.0	+ 3.9
Total Nonagricultural Employment	2,800.4	2,797.9	2,708.3	+ 2.5	+ 0.1	+ 92.1	+ 3.4
Manufacturing	842.1	841.4	828.6	- 0.7	+ 0.1	+ 13.5	+ 1.6
Durable Goods	339.9	339.4	339.0	+ 0.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.3
Lumber & Wood	37.8	38.0	36.2	- 0.2	- 0.5	+ 1.6	+ 4.4
Furniture & Fixtures	87.0	86.6	85.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.5	+ 1.8	+ 2.1
Stone, Clay, & Glass	21.3	21.3	19.5	0.0	0.0	+ 1.8	+ 9.2
Primary Metals	11.1	11.2	10.7	- 0.1	- 0.9	+ 0.4	+ 3.7
Fabricated Metals	26.5	26.4	26.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	0.0	0.0
Machinery, Except Elec.	56.2	56.0	55.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.5
Electrical Machinery	58.0	58.2	64.5	- 0.2	- 0.3	- 6.5	- 10.1
Transportation Equipment	24.9	24.8	23.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.4	+ 6.0
Other Durable Goods 3/	17.1	16.9	17.0	+ 0.2	+ 1.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.6

* Revised. **Less than 0.05 percent.

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6/ This category includes Self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

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INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA
(SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

MARCH 1987 1/
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar.* 1986	CHANGE FROM: February 1987 Net	February 1987 Percent	March 1986 Net	March 1986 Percent
Nondurable Goods	502.2	502.0	489.6	0.0	**	+ 12.6	+ 2.6
Food & Kindred Products	47.3	47.2	47.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.6
Tobacco Manufacturing	25.1	25.4	25.7	- 0.3	- 1.2	- 0.6	- 2.3
Textile Mill Products	217.3	217.0	206.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.1	+ 10.4	+ 5.0
Apparel & Related Products	90.6	90.0	89.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.7	+ 1.0	+ 1.1
Paper & Allied Products	21.9	21.7	22.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.9	- 0.4	- 1.8
Print., Pub., & Allied	27.7	27.8	26.8	- 0.1	- 0.4	+ 0.9	+ 3.4
Chemicals & Allied	37.1	37.2	37.2	- 0.1	- 0.3	- 0.1	- 0.3
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Prod.	30.9	31.3	29.5	- 0.4	- 1.3	+ 1.4	+ 4.7
Other Nondurable Goods 4/	4.3	4.4	4.6	- 0.1	- 2.3	- 0.3	- 6.5
Nonmanufacturing	1,958.3	1,956.5	1,879.7	+ 1.8	+ 0.1	+ 78.6	+ 4.2
Construction	164.1	165.3	160.8	- 1.2	- 0.7	+ 3.3	+ 2.1
Transportation & Public Utilities	133.6	132.9	131.0	+ 0.7	+ 0.5	+ 2.6	+ 2.0
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	72.5	72.1	71.2	+ 0.4	+ 0.6	+ 1.3	+ 1.8
Comm. & Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	56.9	56.9	55.2	0.0	0.0	+ 1.7	+ 3.1

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(SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

MARCH 1987 1/
(Numbers in Thousands)

Classification	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar.* 1986	CHANGE FROM: February 1987 Net	February 1987 Percent	March 1986 Net	March 1986 Percent
Wholesale & Retail Trade	628.8	627.7	599.5	+ 1.1	+ 0.2	+ 29.3	+ 4.9
Wholesale Trade	143.9	144.4	141.1	- 0.5	- 0.3	+ 2.8	+ 2.0
Retail Trade	484.9	483.3	458.4	+ 1.6	+ 0.3	+ 26.5	+ 5.8
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate	124.0	123.3	113.2	+ 0.7	+ 0.6	+ 10.8	+ 9.5
Service & Miscellaneous 5/	468.5	467.5	444.9	+ 1.0	+ 0.2	+ 23.6	+ 5.3
Total Government	434.4	434.9	425.6	- 0.5	- 0.1	+ 8.8	+ 2.1
Federal	52.1	52.3	52.8	- 0.2	- 0.4	- 0.7	- 1.3
State	125.8	126.0	123.1	- 0.2	- 0.2	+ 2.7	+ 2.2
Local	256.5	256.6	249.7	- 0.1	**	+ 6.8	+ 2.7
Mining	4.9	4.9	4.7	0.0	0.0	+ 0.2	+ 4.3
All Other Nonag. Employment 6/	247.3	250.5	237.2	- 3.2	- 1.3	+ 10.1	+ 4.3
Agriculture	40.3	36.7	43.3	+ 3.6	+ 9.8	- 3.0	- 6.9

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INSURED UNEMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA: CLAIMS TAKING ACTIVITIES BY MAJOR INDUSTRY SECTOR 1/

MARCH 1987

Industry of Primary Attachment	Insured Employment	Weeks Claimed Weekly Total	% of Insured Employment	Change From Previous Month Numerical	Change From Previous Month Percent
Total All Industries	2,609,836	60,681	2.3	- 3,659	- 5.7
Manufacturing Total	824,522	23,746	2.9	- 664	- 2.7
Food Products	46,543	1,798	3.9	+ 192	+ 12.0
Tobacco	24,350	1,281	5.3	+ 426	+ 49.8
Textile Products	210,428	4,774	2.3	- 741	- 13.4
Apparel Products	84,845	4,563	5.4	+ 255	+ 5.9
Lumber and Wood	37,272	1,791	4.8	- 177	- 9.0
Furniture and Fixtures	84,259	1,461	1.7	- 198	- 11.9
Paper and Allied	21,554	255	1.2	- 99	- 28.0
Printing and Publishing	27,215	336	1.2	+ 36	+ 12.0
Chemicals and Allied	37,791	386	1.0	- 62	- 13.8
Rubber and Plastics	30,359	684	2.3	+ 104	+ 17.9
Leather Products	3,669	137	3.7	- 24	- 14.9
Stone, Clay and Glass	19,730	690	3.5	- 194	- 21.9
Primary and Fabricated Metals	37,586	976	2.6	- 13	- 1.3
Nonelectrical Machinery	57,086	1,302	2.3	- 23	- 1.7
Electrical and Electronic Machinery	61,519	2,281	3.7	- 29	- 1.3
Transportation Equipment	22,849	648	2.8	- 106	- 14.1
Other Manufacturing 2/	17,467	383	2.2	- 11	- 2.8
Construction	153,140	11,640	7.6	- 2,496	- 17.7
Transportation, Comm. and Utilities	126,609	1,704	1.3	- 232	- 12.0
Trade	604,139	8,866	1.5	+ 107	+ 1.2
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	111,997	1,052	0.9	+ 11	+ 1.1
Services	402,715	5,041	1.3	- 164	- 3.2
State Government	111,497	1,010	0.9	- 8	- 0.8
Local Government	247,519	1,746	0.7	+ 38	+ 2.2
Other 3/	XXX	5,876	XXX	- 251	- 4.1

1/ These include new and additional claims. Additional claims are claims which are reopened during the course of an established benefit year.
2/ "Other Manufacturing" includes Petroleum Refining, Instruments, and Miscellaneous Manufacturing.
3/ "Other" includes persons who filed but did not establish a benefit year due to insufficient industry attachment and/or the lack of determination of industry attachment; it also includes Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Mining industry employees.

INDIVIDUALS PLACED IN JOBS BY THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY COMMISSION
OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORIES AND INDUSTRIAL DIVISIONS

MARCH 1987 1/

Occupational Categories and Divisions	Total Individuals Placed 2/	Total Individuals Placed In Regular Jobs 2/, 3/	Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	Mining	Construction	Manufacturing	Transportation & Utilities	Wholesale & Retail Trade	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	Services	Public Administration	Government
Total	11,244	11,037	246	6	1,099	5,540	520	2,124	135	2,303	385	713
Professional, Technical, and Managerial Occupation	385	381	2	2	9	73	4	59	5	178	55	96
Clerical Occupations	1,428	1,413	3	1	43	231	170	451	77	366	135	279
Sales Occupations	407	406	3	0	2	20	8	316	19	42	2	2
Domestic Service Occupations	137	92	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	90	1	7
Other Service Occupations	2,068	2,067	0	0	17	189	10	786	7	999	144	251
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, and Related Occupations	358	277	216	0	6	7	0	4	8	33	10	16
Processing Occupations	590	588	6	1	6	547	0	25	0	3	0	2
Machine Trade Occupations	1,434	1,432	0	0	43	1,296	9	39	0	51	5	7
Benchwork Occupations	2,219	2,209	0	0	6	2,011	1	45	1	166	1	0
Structural Work Occupations	1,561	1,509	3	0	933	393	15	94	17	106	13	24
Motor Freight and Transportation Occupations	284	263	1	0	12	55	72	93	1	32	11	20
Packaging and Materials Handling Occupations	2,013	1,872	14	2	46	1,039	241	277	0	320	7	8
Miscellaneous Occupations	55	53	0	0	2	38	0	2	1	7	3	4

1/ The program year for the Employment Service Division runs from July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987.

2/ The Total Individuals Placed and Total Individuals Placed in Regular Jobs do not include individuals who were placed in more than one job during the program year. However, the figures listed for each industrial division do count each placement of an individual.

3/ A regular job is defined as a job which has a duration of three or more days.

APPENDIX

Detailed Industry Employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina

Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-Supervisory Workers in North Carolina

Detailed Industry Employment (not seasonally adjusted) in North Carolina March 1987 1/ (Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Total Employment Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar. 1986	Percent Change From: Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Total Nonagricultural Employment	2,787.2	2,764.1	2,700.8	+ 0.8	+ 3.2
Manufacturing	837.5	835.2	829.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Durable Goods	339.0	337.5	339.8	+ 0.4	- 0.2
Lumber and Wood Products	37.4	37.2	38.0	+ 0.5	- 1.6
Furniture and Fixtures	87.0	87.0	84.5	0.0	+ 3.0
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	21.0	20.9	19.9	+ 0.5	+ 5.5
Primary Metal Industries	11.1	11.1	11.3	0.0	- 1.8
Fabricated Metal Products	26.3	26.1	26.5	+ 0.8	- 0.8
Machinery, exc. Electrical	56.0	55.7	56.7	+ 0.5	- 1.2
Electrical and Electronic Equipment	58.1	57.9	62.4	+ 0.3	- 6.9
Transportation Equipment	25.1	24.8	23.7	+ 1.2	+ 5.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	17.0	16.8	16.7	+ 1.2	+ 1.8
Nondurable Goods	498.5	497.6	489.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.9
Food and Kindred Products	46.4	46.2	45.5	+ 0.4	+ 2.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.7	24.6	24.7	- 3.7	- 4.0
Textile Mill Products	216.2	215.3	210.3	+ 0.4	+ 2.8
Apparel and Other Textile Products	89.7	89.4	88.3	+ 0.3	+ 1.6
Paper and Allied Products	22.0	21.8	21.8	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Printing and Publishing	28.1	28.1	27.3	0.0	+ 2.9
Chemicals and Allied Products	37.2	37.1	37.6	+ 0.3	- 1.1
Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	30.7	30.9	29.7	- 0.6	+ 3.4
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.3	4.3	4.3	0.0	0.0
Nonmanufacturing	1,949.8	1,928.9	1,871.6	+ 1.1	+ 4.2
Mining	4.8	4.7	4.7	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
Construction	159.0	154.6	150.9	+ 2.8	+ 5.4
Transportation and Public Utilities	133.1	132.0	130.9	+ 0.8	+ 1.7
Transportation, exc. Railroad	72.3	71.3	71.5	+ 1.4	+ 1.1
Comm. and Electric, Gas, and San. Ser.	56.8	56.6	54.9	+ 0.4	+ 3.5
Wholesale and Retail Trade	617.3	611.5	591.2	+ 0.9	+ 4.4
Wholesale Trade	142.7	142.2	140.4	+ 0.4	+ 1.6
Retail Trade	474.7	469.3	450.8	+ 1.2	+ 5.3
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	123.1	122.2	114.7	+ 0.7	+ 7.3
Service and Miscellaneous 4/	466.6	459.6	442.4	+ 1.5	+ 5.5
Hotels and Other Lodging Places	25.3	24.7	23.7	+ 2.4	+ 6.8
Total Government	445.8	444.2	436.9	+ 0.4	+ 2.0
Federal	51.8	51.9	52.3	- 0.2	- 1.0
State	129.9	129.3	126.7	+ 0.5	+ 2.5
Local	264.0	263.0	257.9	+ 0.4	+ 2.4

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Production Workers in Selected Manufacturing Industries in North Carolina

March 1987 1/

(Numbers in Thousands)

Industry	Number of Production Workers			Percent Change From:	
	Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar. 1986	Feb. 1987	Mar. 1986
Manufacturing	663.9	661.6	657.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Durable Goods	255.9	254.7	257.6	+ 0.5	- 0.7
Lumber and Wood Products	31.8	31.6	32.6	+ 0.6	- 2.5
Furniture and Fixtures	76.2	76.2	74.6	0.0	+ 2.1
Stone, Clay, and Glass Products	16.8	16.7	16.2	+ 0.6	+ 3.7
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.2	8.4	+ 1.2	- 1.2
Fabricated Metal Products	19.7	19.6	19.7	+ 0.5	0.0
Machinery, exc. Electrical	28.3	28.2	29.0	+ 0.4	- 2.4
Electrical and Electronic Equipment	41.8	41.6	45.5	+ 0.5	- 8.1
Transportation Equipment	20.3	20.1	19.1	+ 1.0	+ 6.3
Nondurable Goods	408.0	406.9	399.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.1
Food and Kindred Products	32.7	32.6	32.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.2	19.0	18.8	- 4.2	- 3.2
Textile Mill Products	191.3	190.3	185.5	+ 0.5	+ 3.1
Apparel and Other Textile Products	78.3	78.0	77.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.0
Paper and Allied Products	16.6	16.3	16.4	+ 1.8	+ 1.2
Printing and Publishing	17.5	17.4	16.8	+ 0.6	+ 4.2
Chemicals and Allied Products	24.5	24.3	24.5	+ 0.8	0.0
Rubber and Misc. Plastics Products	25.3	25.4	24.2	- 0.4	+ 4.5
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.6	3.6	3.6	0.0	0.0

* Revised.
** Less than .05 percent.
1/ Data for the current month are preliminary.
2/ This category includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

Average Weekly Earnings, Hours and Hourly Earnings of Selected Production and Non-Supervisory Workers in North Carolina 1/

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	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar.* 1986	Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar.* 1986	Mar. 1987	Feb.* 1987	Mar.* 1986
MANUFACTURING	$320.85	$315.02	$302.19	41.4	40.7	40.4	$ 7.75	$ 7.74	$ 7.48
DURABLE GOODS	332.80	328.43	316.16	41.6	40.9	40.9	8.00	8.03	7.73
Lumber & Wood Products	278.78	268.65	260.50	41.3	39.8	40.2	6.75	6.75	6.48
Furniture & Fixtures	290.80	281.47	268.52	40.9	39.7	39.2	7.11	7.09	6.85
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	355.74	348.19	335.30	42.4	41.5	41.6	8.39	8.39	8.06
Primary Metal Industries	394.51	384.86	383.21	43.4	42.2	43.3	9.09	9.12	8.85
Fabricated Metal Products	351.33	359.68	331.71	40.9	41.2	40.7	8.59	8.73	8.15
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	387.18	385.28	357.00	43.7	43.0	42.0	8.86	8.96	8.50
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	368.59	368.18	357.76	41.0	41.0	41.6	8.99	8.98	8.60
Transportation Equipment	382.80	371.50	371.91	44.0	42.8	43.6	8.70	8.68	8.53
NONDURABLE GOODS	313.47	307.69	292.40	41.3	40.7	40.0	7.59	7.56	7.31
Food & Kindred Products	265.94	261.89	261.02	38.1	37.9	38.9	6.98	6.91	6.71
Tobacco Manufacturers	562.46	515.82	500.40	37.8	35.5	36.0	14.88	14.53	13.90
Textile Mill Products	294.12	289.76	269.78	43.0	42.3	41.0	6.84	6.85	6.58
Apparel & Other Textile Products	206.82	204.82	195.98	38.3	38.0	37.4	5.40	5.39	5.24
Paper & Allied Products	492.60	478.50	498.18	44.1	43.5	44.6	11.17	11.00	11.17
Printing & Publishing	350.45	350.16	336.31	39.2	39.3	39.8	8.94	8.91	8.45
Chemicals & Allied Products	455.35	449.53	408.66	43.7	43.1	41.7	10.42	10.43	9.80
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	393.05	391.55	380.37	41.2	41.0	41.3	9.54	9.55	9.21
MINING	394.70	387.54	377.03	46.6	45.7	45.7	8.47	8.48	8.25
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	517.47	506.24	487.81	41.9	41.7	41.8	12.35	12.14	11.67
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	205.11	200.66	200.88	32.2	31.6	32.4	6.37	6.35	6.20
Wholesale Trade	331.20	322.18	317.19	40.0	39.1	39.5	8.28	8.24	8.03
Retail Trade	171.27	167.83	168.67	30.1	29.6	30.5	5.69	5.67	5.53
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	141.37	138.91	140.13	29.7	29.0	30.2	4.76	4.79	4.64

* Revised.

1/ These data pertain to production workers in selected manufacturing industries and non-supervisory employees in selected non-manufacturing industries.

2/ Data for the current month are preliminary.